General Assembly

Senate

File No. 455

February Session, 2022

Substitute Senate Bill No. 474

Senate, April 13, 2022

The Committee on Government Administration and Elections reported through SEN. FLEXER of the 29th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

AN ACT MAKING A TECHNICAL REVISION TO AN ETHICS PROVISION.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Subsection (b) of section 1-96 of the general statutes is
- 2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October*
- 3 1, 2022):
- 4 (b) Each individual communicator lobbyist registrant and each
- 5 business organization communicator lobbyist registrant shall file with
- 6 the Office of State Ethics between the first and tenth day of January a
- 7 report or reports, signed under penalty of false statement, reporting the
- 8 amounts of compensation and reimbursement received from each of his
- 9 clients during the previous year. In addition, each individual
- 10 communicator lobbyist registrant and each business organization
- communicator lobbyist registrant shall <u>report</u>: (1) [Report the] <u>The</u> fundamental terms of contracts, agreements or promises to pay or
- 13 receive compensation or reimbursement or to make expenditures in

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furtherance of lobbying, including the categories of work to be 14 15 performed and the dollar value or compensation rate of the contract, at 16 the time of registration; (2) [report,] in accordance with the schedule set 17 forth in subsection (a) of this section, any amendments to these 18 fundamental terms, including any agreements to subcontract lobbying 19 work; and (3) [report,] in accordance with the provisions of subsection 20 (a) of this section, any expenditures for the benefit of a public official in 21 the legislative or executive branch or a member of the staff or immediate 22 family of such official which are unreimbursed and required to be 23 itemized. Such report shall not include the disclosure of food and 24 beverage provided by a communicator lobbyist registrant to a public 25 official in the legislative or executive branch or a member of his staff or 26 immediate family at a major life event, as defined by the Citizen's Ethics 27 Advisory Board, of the registrant. All such information shall be reported 28 under penalty of false statement.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2022	1-96(b)

Statement of Legislative Commissioners:

The title was changed.

GAE Joint Favorable Subst. -LCO

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OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact: None

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

This bill, which makes a technical change to the state Code of Ethics for Lobbyists, has no fiscal impact to the state or municipalities.

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Municipal Impact: None

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OLR Bill Analysis

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SUMMARY

This bill makes a technical change to the state Code of Ethics for Lobbyists.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2022

COMMITTEE ACTION

Government Administration and Elections Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 15 Nay 3 (03/29/2022)